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## Request for Continued Examination (RCE) **Transmittal**

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Application Number	09/663,354-Conf. #1844				
Filing Date	September 15, 2000				
First Named Inventor	Akiko MISAWA				
Art Unit	2622				
Examiner Name	N. Y. T. Vu				
Attorney Docket Number	0879-0273P				

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and
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ii. Other
b. x Enclosed
i. X Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other
2. Miscellaneous
a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a
period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
b. Other
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
a. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any
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i. X RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
iii. Other
b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27			Art Unit	Art Unit 2622					
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FEE CALCULATION									
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH	1, AND EXAM	INATION FEES							
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Application Type	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$) Fee	Small Entity (\$) Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fees	Paid (\$)		
Utility	310	155 510	255	210	105				
Design	210	105 100	50	130	65				
Plant	210	105 310	155	160	80				
Reissue	310	155 510	255	620	310				
Provisional	210	105	0	0	0				
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES Small Entity									
Fee DescriptionFee (\$)Fee (\$)Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)5025									
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) 210 10									
Multiple dependent claims						370	185		
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE  If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$260 (\$130 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).									
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4. OTHER FEE(S)  Fees Paid (\$)									
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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1801 Request for continued examination (RCE) (see 37 810.00									
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